

Westfield City Council October 14, 2013

The Westfield City Council met Monday October 14, 2013 at the Westfield City Hall. Members present were Jim Ake, Bob Horkay, Bob Smith, Steve Hoover, Cindy Spoljaric and Rob Stokes. Also present were Clerk-Treasurer Cindy Gossard and representing Legal Counsel Brian Zaiger.

President Ake called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes:

Cindy Spoljaric made a motion to approve September 9, 2013 minutes as presented. Bob Horkay seconded. Vote: Yes-6; No-0. Motion carries.

Guest:

None

Claims:

Bob Smith made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Bob Horkay seconded. Vote: Yes-6; No-0. Motion carries.

Miscellaneous Business/Special Presentation

Special Presentation: Proclamation – Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Mayor Cook presented to Susan Ferguson Executive Director for Prevail

Special Recognition: City Council Page Franklin Webb, for Achievement of Eagle Scout Rank

Mayor Cook presented this special recognition to Franklin Webb for his achievement in earning his Eagle Scout Ranking.

Old Business:

Ordinance 13-26: 2014 Budget

Introduction - September 9, 2013

Public Hearing – October 14, 2013

Adoption Consideration – Oct 28, 2013

Todd Burtron presented this item giving a brief outline of the timelines and 2014 Expense Assumptions.

Public Hearing: opened 7:14

-No Comments

Public Hearing: closed 7:15

Resolution 13-115: Thoroughfare Plan Addendum

Introduction – August 12, 2013

APC Hearing- September 3, 2013

APC Recommendation – September 16, 2013

Adoption Consideration – October 14, 2013

Jesse Pohlman presented this item explaining the addendum to the existing Thoroughfare.

Cindy Spoljaric, citing concerns with the change of 161st St. being increased from secondary to primary arterial, especially considering adjacent land uses, requested it remain a secondary. Rob Stokes agreed, but motion to keep 161st as secondary failed to gain consensus.

Bob Smith made a motion to approve Resolution 13-115 as presented. Bob Horkay seconded. Vote: Yes-4; No-2 (C. Spoljaric-R. Stokes). Motion carries.

Ordinance 13-23: Amendment to the Traffic Regulation Ordinance

Introduction – September 9, 2013

Adoption Consideration – October 14, 2013

Brian Zaiger presented this item

Bob Horkay made a motion to approve Ordinance 13-23 as presented. Steve Hoover seconded. Vote: Yes-6; No-0. Motion carries.

Ordinance 13-16: Enclave and Springs at Viking Meadows PUD

Introduction – May 13, 2013

APC Hearing – June 3, 2013

APC Recommendation – October 7, 2013

Adoption Consideration – October 14, 2013

Sarah Reed presented this item as well as Ordinance 13-25. Both ordinances have favorable recommendations from the Planning Commission.

David Compton from Pulte Homes of Indiana, (petitioner) was on hand to answer any questions.

Cindy Spoljaric commented that she felt the proposed architectural requirements would not be enough to ensure the level of standards envisioned in the Viking Meadows PUD. She suggested it be sent back to APC for refinement, which was not accepted. Council members had discussions on the issues.

Steve Hoover made the motion to approve Ordinance 13-16 with the contingency on Ordinance 13-25 being approved. Bob Horkay seconded. Vote: Yes-4; No-2 (C. Spoljaric-R. Stokes). Motion carries.

Ordinance 13-25: Viking Meadows PUD Amendment: Parcels E & F

Referral Date to APC – May 13, 2013 (associated with APC Petition Number 1305-PID-04)

APC Public Hearing – August 5, 2013

APC Recommendation – October 7, 2013
Adoption Consideration – October 14, 2013

Sarah Reed presented this item

Steve Hoover made a motion to approve Ordinance 13-25 as presented. Bob Smith seconded. Vote: Yes-6; No-0. Motion carries.

New Business:

Ordinance 13-24: Chatham Hills PUD

Introduction – October 14, 2013
APC Public Hearing – November 4, 2013
APC Recommendation – November 18, 2013
Adoption Consideration – December 9, 2013

Jesse Pohlman presented this item and turned the meeting over to the developer for further discussion and to answer any questions.

Steve Henke, Co-Owner of Henke Development, spoke giving details on the property and stating their desire to develop the golf course, preserving as much as the wooded areas as possible.

Ordinance 13-27: Amendment to Ordinance 13-20 (Utility Ordinance)

Introduction – October 14, 2013
Adoption Consideration – October 15, 2013

Brian Zaiger presented this item stating that this Ordinance is an amendment to Ordinance 13-20 correcting the fire protection rates.

Ordinance 13-28: Utilities Agreement

Introduction – October 14, 2013
Adoption Consideration – October 15, 2013

Brian Zaiger presented this item stating this is a settlement agreement between Citizens and The City of Westfield.

Todd Burtron spoke giving the settlement agreement details of the 91 million purchasing price, as well as the agreement with the OUCC, Citizens and the City of Westfield, to keep the rates the same thru 2016.

Pete Hatton, partner, with Faegre, Baker, and Daniels was present to answer any questions.

Ordinance 13-29: Additional Appropriation – 186th Street

Introduction – October 14, 2013
Public Hearing – October 28, 2013
Adoption Consideration – November 11, 2013

This item was tabled

Ordinance 13-30: Salary Ordinance

Introduction – October 14, 2013

Adoption Consideration – October 28, 2013

Todd Burtron presented this item stating there will be no raise increases for City employees in 2014 due to fiscal responsibilities.

Ordinance 13-31: Elected Officials Salary Ordinance

Introduction – October 14, 2013

Adoption Consideration – October 28, 2013

Todd Burtron presented this item stating there are no salary raise for elected officials with the exception of the Clerk Treasurer. Meeting was turned over to President Ake.

President Ake spoke regarding the increase in the Clerk Treasurer position explaining this raise is to bring current salary in line with other Clerk Treasurer positions within the State.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Jim Ake read a letter from the fire depart, thanking Council for their support in Fill the Boot event.

President Ake also announced that Bob Horkay has agreed to fill the Vice President position for the rest of the term preceding John Dippel. The Caucus has elected Chuck Lehman to fill the Council seat of John as well.

President Ake reminded of Community Day Saturday October 19th from 1-5pm.

Cindy Spoljaric thanked Ameriana for the Fall Festival.

Bob Smith gave report on a meeting he attended with the Lieutenant Governor, Sue Ellsperman, where the topics of school funding and tif programs were discussed.

MAYOR COMMENTS:

None

Bob Smith made a motion to adjourn. Steve Hoover seconded. Vote: Yes-6; No-0.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

Clerk-Treasurer

President